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# S. 78

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 10, 2019

Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Ms. ERNST) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Hearing Small Busi-  
5       nesses Act of 2019”.

6       **SEC. 2. EXPANSION OF COVERED AGENCIES UNDER THE**  
7       **REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ACT.**

8       Section 609 of title 5, United States Code, is amend-  
9       ed—

1           (1) in subsection (b), in the matter preceding  
 2           paragraph (1), by striking “an initial regulatory  
 3           flexibility analysis which a covered agency is re-  
 4           quired to conduct by this chapter” and inserting “a  
 5           proposed rule or interim final rule for which a cov-  
 6           ered agency is required to conduct an initial regu-  
 7           latory flexibility analysis by this chapter”; and

8           (2) in subsection (d)—

9                   (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at  
 10           the end;

11                   (B) in paragraph (3), by striking the pe-  
 12           riod at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

13                   (C) by adding at the end the following:

14           “(4) the United States Fish and Wildlife Serv-  
 15           ice; and

16           “(5) the Internal Revenue Service.”.

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